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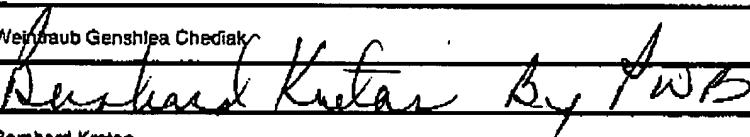
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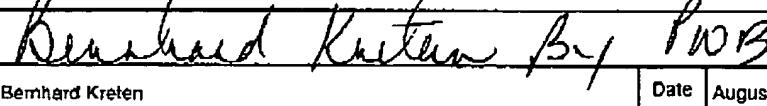
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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	50
Multiple dependent claims	25
	200
	360
	100
	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
- 20 or HP =	x	=	
HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.			
Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
- 3 or HP =	x	=	
HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3.			

Multiple Dependent Claims	Small Entity Fee (\$)
	Fee (\$)
	Fee Paid (\$)

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4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)	Fee Paid (\$)
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Increasing Capacity of)
Automated Litter Box)

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REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.133

Applicants hereby request an interview with the Examiner, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. section 1.133 and MPEP Section 713.01, after the Examiner has considered the effect of Applicants' Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed on February 10, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: August 10, 2005

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